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KPLR Ch. 2 St. Louis – EPA starts new round of testing radioactivity at Bridgeton landfill – 5/11/15 -
Monday a new round of testing started at the Bridgeton Landfill for radioactivity. The testing will monitor the levels of radioactivity, to see if it is spreading to the nearby West Lake Landfill.
<http://fox2now.com/2015/05/11/epa-starts-new-round-of-testing-radioactivity-at-bridgeton-landfill/>

The Examiner, Blue Springs, Mo. - EPA fines Blue Springs company on lead paint violations -
5/12/15 - A Blue Springs company will pay a fine after the Environmental Protection Agency found that it violated a regulation on lead paint last September.
<http://www.examiner.net/article/20150512/NEWS/150519788>

Wichita Eagle - Editorial: Aim higher on wind power - 5/11/15 - If Kansas expects to realize Brownback's goal of becoming the "Saudi Arabia of wind," the state should aim higher than a nonbinding goal that's nearly been met already. <http://www.kansas.com/opinion/editorials/article20701050.html>

Associated Press - Angry over reach of EPA water rules, farmers urge lawmakers to block them -
5/12/15 - Government rules to clarify which streams, tributaries and wetlands should be protected from development and pollution are fueling political anger in the country's heartland.
<http://www.startribune.com/farmers-worry-over-reach-of-epa-water-rules/303377411/>

Quad-City Times - Scientists: Iowans need to ask presidential candidates about climate change -
5/11/15 - A coalition of Iowa scientists issued a statement Monday declaring that the effects of climate change are real and calling upon residents of the first-in-the-nation caucus state to quiz presidential candidates on policies they will support to address a critical public issue.
http://qctimes.com/news/local/government-and-politics/scientists-iowans-need-to-ask-presidential-candidates-about-climate-change/article_3a0fe07d-fa3e-50d5-9c23-1254d7fe8c2f.html

Lincoln (Neb.) Journal Star - Editorial: Oil trains need stronger rules - 5/12/15 - With construction of the Keystone XL pipelines blocked by lawsuits and vetoes by President Barack Obama, federal regulators need to prepare for the eventuality that crude oil shipments by rail are the new long-term reality. The proposed new regulations are not enough. http://journalstar.com/news/opinion/editorial/editorial-oil-trains-need-stronger-rules/article_2b9a5fdb-998e-531f-8471-db68b0f57804.html

Sioux City (Iowa) Journal - Northeast Nebraska landfill ruled out for infected poultry - Officials considered transporting some dead birds infected with avian flu to the L.P. Gill Landfill near Jackson,

Neb., but the owner decided against it after state officials in Nebraska raised concerns.
http://siouxcityjournal.com/news/local/a1/northeast-nebraska-landfill-ruled-out-for-infected-poultry/article_337187a2-b342-5576-8fe2-44877299d963.html

Waterloo-Cedar Falls (Iowa) Courier - Waterloo faces "eye-popping" sewer costs - 5/12/15 - The city is facing a fine and costly sewer improvements under a pending settlement agreement with the U.S. Department of Justice. Waterloo's legal team and engineering consultant said Monday they are negotiating a consent decree to be signed in September resulting from overloaded mains releasing untreated sewage during heavy rains. http://wcfcourier.com/news/local/govt-and-politics/waterloo-faces-eye-popping-sewer-costs/article_617d4ba4-9f04-5775-a6b7-dadf9cb0fe21.html

Agri-News - Avian influenza continues to spread in Iowa - 5/11/15 - As of May 8, there were 44 confirmed or probable cases of avian influenza in Iowa. It has been found in 12 counties affecting about 24.4 million layers, 639,000 pullets, 759,000 turkeys and 25 ducks.
http://www.agrinews.com/news/iowa_news/avian-influenza-continues-to-spread-in-iowa/article_5814b650-9ccf-5d7e-9d43-81847ca5b9e9.html

KWMU St. Louis Public Radio - Durbin criticizes EPA for long delay in issuing rules that aid renewable fuels - 5/11/15 - Farmers, biofuel producers and, now, several U.S. senators who back the production of renewable fuels say the Environmental Protection Agency is putting the renewable fuels industry in a state of uncertainty. <http://news.stlpublicradio.org/post/durbin-criticizes-epa-long-delay-issuing-rules-aid-renewable-fuels>

Biofuels Digest - 5/11/15 - The push is on for "high renewable content fuels" - 5/11/15 - Something exciting is happening in the distribution of what could be broadly described as "high-renewable-content" fuels, which we'll dub HRC fuels in order to give them an obscure three-letter acronym.
<http://www.biofuelsdigest.com/bdigest/2015/05/11/the-push-is-on-for-high-renewable-content-fuels/>

Fuels America - The EPA Faces a Crucial Choice - 5/8/15 - The oil industry and renewable fuel industry agree on one thing: the EPA has a big choice to make when it comes to the Renewable Fuel Standard (RFS). The choice comes down to this -- reward the oil industry for refusing to fulfill its obligations under the policy, or get the RFS back on track by following the spirit and intent of the law.
<http://www.fuelsamerica.org/blog/entry/the-epa-faces-a-crucial-choice>

Utility Dive - How will the EPA's Clean Power Plan affect the economy? - 5/8/15 - A new independent study predicts job growth from the plan, but the jury is still out. <http://www.utilitydive.com/news/how-will-the-epas-clean-power-plan-affect-the-economy/393515/>

The Hill - Does wind lobby care more about keeping word or handouts? - 5/11/15 - As the 2016

presidential race takes shape, here's an idea Republican and Democratic contenders alike can get behind: let's put an end to corporate welfare. <http://thehill.com/blogs/congress-blog/energy-environment/241504-does-wind-lobby-care-more-about-keeping-word-or>

Associated Post - Farmers worry over reach of EPA water rules - 5/12/15 - Government rules to clarify which streams, tributaries and wetlands should be protected from development and pollution are fueling political anger in the country's heartland. http://www.washingtonpost.com/politics/federal_government/farmers-worry-over-reach-of-epa-water-rules/2015/05/12/0d4bd944-f878-11e4-a47c-e56f4db884ed_story.html

Forbes - EPA's Dangerous Desire To Become America's Energy Regulator - 5/12/15 - Imagine that a federal agency seeks to fundamentally change the way electricity is provided to every household, school and factory in the United States. In fact, the agency's proposal is so sweeping and dramatic that across the nation independent experts have raised concerns about it. <http://www.forbes.com/sites/beltway/2015/05/11/epas-dangerous-desire-to-become-americas-energy-regulator/>

Ripon Advance (blog) - Draft of legislation to bolster security, reliability of America's power grid released - 5/11/15 - House Energy and Power Subcommittee Chairman Fred Upton (R-MI) shared the Energy Reliability and Security discussion draft on Thursday, including the initial version to be included in the committee's Architecture of Abundance energy legislation. <http://riponadvance.com/news/draft-of-legislation-to-bolster-security-reliability-of-americas-power-grid-released/11437>

Seeking Alpha - Renewable Energy Group's Operating Environment Improves, But Bad Luck And EPA Uncertainty Remain - 5/11/15 - Biomass-based diesel producer Renewable Energy Group reported a Q1 EPS result that badly missed expectations despite solidly beating on revenue. <http://seekingalpha.com/article/3166746-renewable-energy-groups-operating-environment-improves-but-bad-luck-and-epa-uncertainty-remain>

Inside Climate - Climate Denial Takes a Toll on Scientists—and Science - 5/11/15 - Climate denial campaigns have helped slow the public's acceptance of man-made climate change and delay political action for years, but a new study published last Thursday finds these contrarian arguments have also had an impact on climate scientists. <http://insideclimatenews.com/news/11052015/climate-denial-takes-toll-scientists%E2%80%94and-science>

UPI - North Dakota to research CCS - 5/12/15 - The U.S. Energy Department and the University of North Dakota entered a two-year agreement to curb carbon emissions from fossil fuels, a state senator said. http://www.upi.com/Business_News/Energy-Resources/2015/05/12/North-Dakota-to-research-CCS/8541431423940/